

**INVITATION TO BID
Cliff Street Sidewalk Improvements STP SDWK (6)**

Sealed bids from pre-qualified contractors shall be accepted until 11:00 AM prevailing time on Friday, April 10, 2015 at Burlington Department of Public Works, 645 Pine Street, Burlington, VT 05401 for construction of the project hereinafter described. Bid opening will occur immediately after the bid submittal deadline. The time of receiving and opening bids may be postponed due to emergencies or unforeseen conditions.

Sealed BIDS shall be marked in the lower left hand corner: Bid Documents: Cliff Street Sidewalk Improvements STP SDWK (6)

Each BID must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the City of Burlington for five percent (5%) of the total amount of the BID. A BID bond may be used in lieu of a certified check.

PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS: All bidders on this project shall be on the Agency of Transportation's prequalified list under the category Curb and Sidewalk or shall have submitted a complete prequalification application to the Agency of Transportation, Contract Administration, a minimum of 10 working days prior to the bid opening. For information contact Jon Winter at 802-828-2643.

All bidders shall be on the current VTRANS Contract Administration pre-qualified list "Contractors List of Curb and Sidewalk Category".

All bidders shall also complete the City of Burlington Pre-Qualification a minimum of 5 working days prior to the bid opening to be eligible.

LOCATION: This project is located on the north side of Cliff Street in the City of Burlington, beginning at South Willard Street and extending to South Prospect Street.

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION: Work to be performed under this project includes: installation of concrete sidewalk, concrete curb, drainage structures, retaining wall, and pavement markings.

CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE: The Contract shall be completed on or before July 31, 2015.

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OBTAINING PLANS: Plans may be obtained from Blueprints Etc., 20 Farrell Street, South Burlington, South Burlington, VT 05403. Phone: (802) 865-4503 for a non-refundable fee of \$75.00 per set. Plans are not returnable.

ENGINEERS ESTIMATE: For this Proposal the Engineers Estimate for the Base Bid and including all Add Alternates falls between \$200,000 and \$300,000.

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND PROPOSAL MAY BE SEEN AT THE OFFICE OF:

1. City of Burlington, Department of Public Works, 645 Pine St. Suite A, Burlington, VT 054012.
2. Aldrich + Elliott, PC, 6 Market Place, Suite 2, Essex Junction, VT 05452
3. AGC of Vermont, c/o Works in Progress, Inc. 20 Farrell Street, South Burlington, Vermont 05403-6112.

PREBID CONFERENCE: A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held for the project on Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 9:00 AM at Burlington Department of Public Works, 645 Pine Street, Burlington.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: This contract is governed by the Vermont Agency of Transportation ("VTrans") 2011 Standard Specifications for Construction. **QUESTIONS:** During the advertisement phase of this project all questions shall be addressed solely to Aldrich + Elliott, PC, c/o Joe Duncan, PE, (802) 879-7733 or jduncan@aeengineers.com. All questions shall be submitted no later than April 1, 2015 at 5:00 PM, prevailing time.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO) CERTIFICATION: Certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations of the Secretary of labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1)) and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Generally only contracts and subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt as set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5. See Appendix A for Contractors EEO Certification Form (CA-109).

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT: All bidders are required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with such contract. See Appendix B for Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (CA-91). This affidavit must be submitted with the bid.

DEBARMENT AFFIDAVIT: All bidders are required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the bidder has not within the last three (3) years been, suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any Federal or State Agency; does not have a proposed suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or ineligibility determination pending; and has not been indicted, convicted or had civil judgment

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rendered against (it, him, her, them) by a court having jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years. See Appendix B for Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (CA-91). This affidavit must be submitted with the bid.

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN FEDERALLY ASSISTED CONTRACTS: The City Of Burlington hereby notifies all bidders that it will ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin for an award. This is consistent with the City's requirement to comply with provisions of Title VI.

DAVIS BACON WAGE REQUIREMENTS: Bidders agree to abide by the Davis Bacon Wage Rate Schedule, which are appended to these Contract Documents.

BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS: Buy America requirements of 23 CFR 635.410 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects. All steel or iron products permanently incorporated into Federal-aid projects, shall be products that have been entirely manufactured within the United States. All manufacturing processes of the steel or iron material, in a product, must occur within the United States to be considered of domestic origin. This includes process such as rolling, extruding, machining, bending, grinding, and drilling. The action of applying a coating to a material is deemed a manufacturing process subject to Buy America. Coating includes epoxy coating, galvanizing, painting, and any other coating that protects or enhances the value of the material.

This requirement does not prevent a minimal use of foreign materials, provided the cost of foreign materials used does not exceed 0.1 percent of the total Contract price or \$2,500, whichever is greater. The cost of foreign steel or iron is defined as its value delivered to the project.